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INDIANA'S CROP RANKINGS

Indiana's national ranking in crop production during 2002 decreased slightly from 2001 for many major crops. Corn and soybean production both decreased one position to 5th and 4th place, respectively. Winter wheat production, dropped four positions in national ranking to 19th.

Indiana crops showing a decrease in ranking include: oats (24th), potatoes (29th), spearmint (6th), and sweet corn

(17th) all down 2 positions. Blueberries (7th) moved up 2 positions. Additional crops showing a decrease in ranking include apples (15th) dropping one position, while all hay (33rd), dropped 5 positions. Remaining crops, tobacco (9th), peaches (25th), peppermint (4th), tomatoes for processing (2nd), cantaloupes (5th), and watermelons (6th) held their previous year ranks.

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INDIANA'S RANK IN CROP PRODUCTION AMONG STATES, 2002

Crop	Unit	Top Ranking States and Indiana					
		First		Second		Indiana	
		State	Production	State	Production	Rank	Production
		Thousand		Thousand		Thousand	
Corn, Grain	Bu	Iowa	1,963,500	Illinois	1,496,000	5	631,620
Soybeans	Bu	Iowa	494,880	Illinois	449,780	4	235,750
Winter Wheat	Bu	Kansas	267,300	Washington	103,250	19	17,490
Oats	Bu	Minnesota	15,960	Wisconsin	15,000	24	868
Tobacco	Lb	N. Carolina	357,350	Kentucky	226,430	9	8,000
Potatoes	Cwt	Idaho	133,385	Washington	95,200	29	728
Hay, All	Ton	Texas	13,850	California	9,594	33	1,596
Apples, Commercial	Lb	Washington	5,300,000	New York	650,000	15	40,000
Peaches, Freestone	Lb	California	796,000	S. Carolina	160,000	25	3,100
Blueberries	Lb	Michigan	64,000	New Jersey	43,000	7	3,100
Peppermint	Lb	Washington	2,400	Oregon	2,112	4	414
Spearmint	Lb	Washington	1,445	Wisconsin	121	6	84
Tomatoes for Processing	Ton	California	11,056	Indiana	256	2	256
Cantaloupe, Fresh Mkt	Cwt	California	13,451	Arizona	4,440	5	540
Watermelon, Fresh Mkt	Cwt	Florida	7,590	Texas	6,660	6	2,412
Sweet Corn, Fresh Mkt	Cwt	Florida	5,641	California	4,080	17	337

VEGETABLES, FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING

Tomatoes harvested for fresh market in Indiana during 2002 totaled 1,600 acres, down 6 percent from the previous year. Yield per acre at 155 cwt. compares to 165 cwt. per acre in 2001. Total production at 248,000 cwt. is down 12 percent from the 2001 level. The value of production decreased 10 percent to total 15.9 million dollars. **Processing tomato** acreage harvested at 8,100 acres was up 1 percent from the 2001 level. Production, at 256,450 tons, was up 2 percent from last year and the total value of the crop, at 22.1 million dollars, was 2 percent above the 2001 level. Indiana growers harvested 3,000 acres of **cantaloupes**, up 3 percent from the 2001 level. The average yield per acre was 180 cwt. compared to 250 cwt. in 2001. Total production of 540,000 cwt. decreased 185,000 cwt. below the 2001 production.

Watermelon growers harvested 6,700 acres, up 300 acres from the previous year. An average yield of 360 cwt. per

acre was down 10 percent from the average yield in 2001. Total production of 2.41 million cwt. was 6 percent less than the 2.56 million cwt. produced a year earlier.

Nationally, **fresh market vegetable and melon** production for the 24 selected crops estimated in 2002 totaled 457 million hundredweight. Value of the 2002 fresh market vegetable crop was estimated at 9.28 billion dollars, 4 percent above the previous year. The crop was harvested from 1.93 million acres, down 5 percent from last year. Production of 8 selected **processing vegetables** for 2002 totaled 17.1 million tons, up 14 percent from 2001. Area harvested at 1.35 million acres was up 1 percent from 2001. Processing crop value, at 1.35 billion dollars, was 7 percent above the 1.26 billion dollars in 2001.

VEGETABLES, FRESH MARKET AND PROCESSING INDIANA AND UNITED STATES, 2001 - 2002

Crop	Area Harvested		Yield Per Acre		Production		Unit	Total Value	
	2001	2002	2001	2002	2001	2002		2001	2002
Indiana	<u>Acres</u>							<u>1,000 Dollars</u>	
Fresh Market									
Tomatoes	1,700	1,600	165	155	281,000	248,000	Cwt	17,619	15,897
Sweet Corn	6,000	5,100	78	66	468,000	337,000	Cwt	10,483	7,751
Cantaloupes	2,900	3,000	250	180	725,000	540,000	Cwt	11,818	9,072
Watermelons	6,400	6,700	400	360	2,560,000	2,412,000	Cwt	19,968	20,261
Processing									
Tomatoes	8,000	8,100	31.39	31.66	251,120	256,450	Ton	21,546	22,080
Snap Beans	6,500	6,000	2.37	2.98	15,390	17,860	Ton	2,891	2,755
Cucumbers	1,800	1,600	6.28	2.47	11,300	3,950	Ton	2,023	581
United States									
Fresh Market									
Tomatoes	124,25	124,900	286	299	35,527,000	37,302,00	Cwt	1,080,166	1,170,922
Sweet Corn	251,60	248,800	109	106	27,383,000	26,430,00	Cwt	534,586	531,159
Cantaloupes	96,130	93,900	236	245	22,718,000	23,046,00	Cwt	431,381	404,685
Watermelons	160,82	149,900	253	262	40,648,000	39,204,00	Cwt	275,035	328,550
Processing									
Tomatoes	274,86	311,800	33.65	37.39	9,248,720	11,656,82	Ton	547,473	683,083
Sweet Corn	446,45	419,900	7.04	7.35	3,142,840	3,084,290	Ton	229,204	210,335
Snap Beans	195,48	210,100	3.56	3.96	695,190	831,260	Ton	112,137	126,761
Cucumbers	108,26	118,900	5.37	5.19	581,540	617,300	Ton	168,958	171,016

MAJOR AGRICULTURAL SURVEY

Nearly 2,400 Indiana farm operators will be part of a national sample of 70,000 producers who will be contacted for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's March survey.

This major survey will be conducted during the first half of March by USDA's National Agricultural Statistics Service. The information gathered will be used to make state and national estimates of crop intentions, grain in storage and hog and pig inventories.

This survey is important in making accurate crop and livestock estimates, which provide a basis for an orderly marketing system. An orderly marketing system is essential

to all involved in agriculture.

The March Agricultural Survey is one of the most important of the many surveys conducted each year by the Indiana Agricultural Statistics Service. Other Agricultural Surveys are scheduled for June, September and December. The approximately 70,000 farms expected to participate nationally in the March survey are selected from over two million farms nationwide using statistical sampling procedures. Facts about an individual's farm or ranch are strictly confidential and used only in combination with reports from other farmers to produce agricultural statistics for Indiana and the nation.

2002 PEACH AND BLUEBERRY PRODUCTION UP WHILE APPLE IS DOWN

Indiana's commercial apple production totaled 40.0 million pounds during 2002, down 25 percent from the 2001 level of 53.0 million pounds. The 2002 average price per pound increased 5.0 cents from the previous year to 23.5 cents.

Commercial peach production was set at 3.1 million pounds, 3 percent above the 2001 level of 3.0 million pounds. The average price was 73.3 cents per pound, up 15.0 cents from the average price of 58.3 cents per pound in 2001.

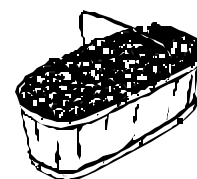
Blueberry production totaled 3.1 million pounds, a 94 percent increase from 2001. The average price for all blueberries was .92 cents per pound, 16.0 cents less than the average price received during 2001.



United States commercial apple production totaled 8.59 billion pounds during 2002, 9 percent below the previous year's crop. Of the total production, 8.47 billion pounds were utilized, down 8 percent from 2001.

Peach production totaled 2.58 billion pounds for the year, up 6 percent from 2001. The utilized production of 2.47 billion pounds was 6 percent more than the previous year.

Blueberry production during 2002 totaled 191.8 million pounds, 1 percent less than 2001. The utilized production of 188.5 million pounds compares with 188.8 million pounds utilized in 2001. The average price for all blueberries was 103.0 cents per pound, 16.3 cents more than the 86.7 cents per pound received during 2001.



FRUIT PRODUCTION
INDIANA, SELECTED STATES AND U. S., 2001 - 2002

State	Apples			Peaches			Blueberries		
	2001	2002	02/01	2001	2002	02/01	2001	2002	02/01
	Million Pounds		%	Million Pounds		%	Thousand Pounds		%
California	520.0	420.0	81	1,727.0	1,920.0	111	--	--	
Illinois	43.6	43.0	99	17.8	17.2	97	--	--	
INDIANA	53.0	40.0	75	3.0	3.1	103	1,600	3,100	194
Michigan	930.0	500.0	54	42.0	14.0	33	70,000	64,000	91
New York	1,000.0	650.0	65	12.5	10.0	80	1,700	2,100	124
Ohio	86.0	77.0	90	11.2	9.4	84	--	--	
Washington	5,050.0	5,300.0	105	55.0	56.0	102	15,550	13,000	84
U.S.	9,428.7	8,592.1	91	2,433.3	2,575.4	106	193,210	191,840	99

INDIANA WOOL PRODUCTION DECREASES

Wool production in Indiana at 280,000 pounds decreased 3 percent in 2002. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 42,000 head, 5 percent less than a year earlier. The average fleece weight was 6.7 pounds. The total value of shorn wool was \$45,000, 2 percent above last year's total of \$44,000. Wool averaged 16 cents per pound in 2002.

Shorn wool production in the United States during 2002 was 41.2 million pounds, down 4 percent from 2001. Sheep and lambs shorn totaled 5.45 million head, down 4 percent from 2001. The average price paid for wool sold in 2002 was \$0.53 per pound for a total value of \$21.8 million dollars, up 42 percent from \$15.3 million dollars in 2001.

WOOL PRODUCTION AND VALUE
INDIANA AND UNITED STATES, 2001-2002

Item	Indiana			United States		
	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001	2001	2002	2002 as % of 2001
Sheep Shorn (1,000 Head)	44.0	42.0	95	5,689.0	5,453.0	96
Live Weight Per Fleece (Lbs.)	6.6	6.7	102	7.6	7.5	99
Wool Production (1,000 Lbs.)	290	280	97	43,016	41,150	96
Price Per Pound	.15	.16	107	.36	.53	109
Value (1,000 Dollars) ^{1/}	44	45	102	15,311	21,792	142

^{1/} Production multiplied by marketing year average price for individual States, U.S. value is summation of State values.

INDIANA MILK PRODUCTION SLIGHTLY LOWER

Indiana's milk production totaled 224 million pounds during January 2003, slightly below a year earlier. The number of milk cows on farms totaled 146,000 head, down 6 percent from a year earlier.

Milk production in the 20 major States during January totaled 12.5 billion pounds, up 2 percent from production in these same States in January 2002.

Production per cow in the 20 major States averaged 1,608 pounds for January 2003, 17 pounds above the previous year. The number of milk cows on farms in the 20 major States was 7.81 million head, 4,000 head more than December 2002, and 56,000 head more than January 2002.

MILK COWS AND MILK PRODUCTION INDIANA, AND SELECTED STATES, JANUARY 2002-2003

State	Milk Cows <u>1/</u>		Milk Per Cow <u>2/</u>		Milk Production <u>2/</u>		
	2002	2003	2002	2003	2002	2003	2003 as % of 2002
	<u>Thousand Head</u>		<u>Pounds</u>		<u>Million Pounds</u>		<u>Percent</u>
INDIANA	155	146	1,450	1,535	225	224	100
Illinois	115	114	1,550	1,580	178	180	101
Iowa	206	207	1,560	1,595	321	330	103
Kentucky	123	120	1,170	1,100	144	132	92
Michigan	297	301	1,650	1,710	490	515	105
Minnesota	495	480	1,515	1,520	750	730	97
Ohio	260	260	1,480	1,440	385	374	97
Wisconsin	1,279	1,265	1,465	1,490	1,874	1,885	101
20 State Total	7,749	7,805	1,591	1,608	12,327	12,547	102



1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.

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